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**MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDERS DEFENSE CONTRACT MANAGEMENT  
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**SUBJECT: DCMC Memorandum No. 96-91, Canceled Standards/Specifications in New  
Contracts**

This is a POLICY Memorandum. This memorandum expires one year from issue date, unless sooner rescinded or superseded. Target audience: All DCMC operations personnel.

Two familiar standards (MIL-I-45208A, MIL-Q-9858A) were canceled without replacement October 1, 1996. Other standards and specifications have been/will be similarly canceled. Some DoD buying commands continue using canceled standards and specifications in their new contracts. The purpose of this memorandum is to establish DCMC policy for handling new contracts that include canceled standards/specifications.

Responsibility for contract content clearly rests with the buying commands. They may choose to include canceled standards and specifications in their contracts in those situations where doing so is permitted by the respective Component Acquisition Executive. When new contracts containing canceled standards/specifications are received, DCMC personnel should enforce the contracts as they are written. It will not be necessary to initiate DD Forms 1716 or otherwise raise the issue with the buying command, unless the inclusion of canceled standards/specifications was an obvious error, or the contractor questions the use of the canceled standards/specifications.

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